



**Calendar of Branch Events and Programs**

**March 10 • 7 p.m.**

Luna Fest  
Robert H. Jackson Center,  
Jamestown

**March 14 • 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Dream It Do It STEM Wars  
Jamestown Community College  
Athletic Complex

**March 14 • 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

Dress For Success...Fashion  
Show!  
JCC Hamilton Collegiate  
Center, Student Union

**March 17 • 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Tech Savvy  
UB's North Campus

**March 24 • 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

Get in the Game  
JCC Athletic Comple

**March 21 • 6:30 p.m.**

Divas Dine  
Forte, Jamestown

**March 26 • 5:30 p.m.**

Woman of the Year Banquet  
Marvin House, Jamestown

**April 10, Time TBA**

Equal Pay Day Panel  
& Discussion  
JCC

**April 11 • Noon - 1 p.m.**

Net the Work  
JCC Hamilton Collegiate  
Center, Student Union

**April 20-22**

AAUW NYS Convention  
Corning, N.Y.

**April 25 • 6 - 8 p.m.**

Empower Me! Series:  
Take Back the Night  
JCC

**April 25 • 6 - 8 p.m.**

Membership Social  
James Prendergast Library

**May 22 • 6 p.m.**

Annual Dinner  
Landmark Restaurant,  
Jamestown

**July 20 - 22**

NYS Summer  
Leadership Conference  
Cazenovia College

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**Mark your calendars**

Below are the dates articles for  
TWIGS need to be received by.

May/June Issue: 4/14/18

 **We're on Facebook!**

Please visit our Facebook page and Like us.

Find our page by typing in AAUW Jamestown Branch in the Search space at the top of the page.

## President's Message

*By Christina A Marsh, AAUW Jamestown Branch President*

Greetings AAUW members!

As I write this article, I am enjoying the sunshine and looking forward to more predicted for tomorrow; the promise of Spring is just around the corner! As you will notice in this issue, there are many activities and opportunities available.

First, I want to bring to your attention the information in this issue regarding Get in the Game. The event offers an opportunity for girls to participate in team sports in an atmosphere that is welcoming and FUN! In order to offer this amazing event however, your help is crucial. You will notice the descriptions of the jobs that need filled in the information, please consider where you can fill in and let Rae Lynn know.

Next, we have an opportunity to fill the position of Jamestown Interclub Council representative. Much appreciation goes to Dolores Thompson for her many years in this position. As the representative to the council from AAUW you would act as a liaison between our branch and the council. Please call or email me if you

are interested. As well, the Jamestown Interclub Council Woman of the Year Banquet is planned for March 26, 2018. I would encourage you to attend and meet our community's new Woman of the Year. See information in this issue to make your reservations.

I would like to mention the AAUW-NYS Convention coming up in April. This year's convention promises to be inspiring as Kim Churches, the new AAUW CEO, will be the opening speaker! Beside other sure to empower workshops like, "Women Getting a Seat at the Table", a tour of the Corning Museum of Glass is scheduled. You can learn more about all the convention has to offer and register at: [www.aauw-nys.org](http://www.aauw-nys.org).

Lastly, in April, at the Membership Social, we will award transfer scholarships to local women from Jamestown Community College and Jamestown Business College in the amount of over \$9000.00! I want to commend all those who worked diligently to make the What's New Fair a success! I am proud of our branch and all the wonderful events and opportunities we offer.

### AAUW-Jamestown Branch is a sponsor for Lunafest 2018.

All members are warmly invited to attend and bring guests. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the door. Join us for an evening of short films by, for, and about women.



**LUNA FEST**

**ZONTA CLUB OF JAMESTOWN**  
PRESENTS

**SHORT FILMS | BY, FOR, ABOUT WOMEN**

**MARCH 10, 2018**

7:00 PM SCREENING

**ROBERT H. JACKSON CENTER**

305 E. 4TH ST., JAMESTOWN, NY

For ticket information, visit us at [lunafest.org](http://lunafest.org)

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## AAUW – JCC Women’s Issues Advisory Board

By Yvonne Makl

The Women’s Issues Advisory Board Committee begins the sprint into spring in support of the JCC EmpoweMe! student club events that directly reflect AAUW Women’s Issues. Our vision statement forward is to build campus events and collaborations based in AAUW Women’s Issues of Advocacy, Community, Education, Workplace and Leadership.

### **Dress for Success... Fashion Show!**

Wednesday, March 14th

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Hamilton Collegiate Center, Student Union

### **Get in the Game: Student Volunteer Opportunity**

Saturday, March 24th

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PHED Complex, Gymnasium

### **Equal Pay Day Panel & Discussion**

Tuesday, April 10th

\*Evening Event: In planning stages...

Panel will consist of community professionals and faculty. Moderator Q&A topics to include: harassment in the workplace, childcare, breastfeeding, working in male-dominated fields, equal pay / salary negotiation.

### **Net the Work**

Wednesday, April 11th

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Hamilton Collegiate Center, Student Union

### **EmpowerMe! Series: Take Back the Night**

Wednesday, April 25th

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

JCC Campus

Campus march & speakers event.

Our renewed focus on women’s issues brings us to ask, if you’ve ever considered working with students on the collegiate level, help us help our young adult women to lead the way.

*Please, join us!*

Contacts: Yvonne Makl, Julie Page, Valerie Chaplin, Kerri Brown, Kayla Crosby, Maggie Irwin

## AAUW New York State 2018 Convention

April 20-22, 2018

Radisson Hotel, Corning, NY

March/April 2018



### **Come to the AAUW-NYS Convention!**

The AAUW-NYS Convention team has an outstanding event planned for April 20-22 in Corning. The convention is for ALL AAUW members and is a great chance to connect, re-energize, and come away with lots of action ideas. Registration is open – check out our website at [www.aauw-nys.org](http://www.aauw-nys.org)

### **Kimberly Churches**

We are very excited to welcome Kimberly Churches, AAUW CEO to our convention. Plan to attend the convention and meet our outstanding new leader!



Kimberly Churches started as AAUW CEO on June 1, 2017. Since her arrival, she has been on a listening tour of AAUW across the country, which included a stop in New York to talk to us at AAUW-NYS. She thinks on a large scale about AAUW’s future, asking us to imagine training 10 million people with Start Smart and Work Smart, or becoming the leading international organization on pay equity. Under her leadership, AAUW is embarking on an ambitious strategic planning process aimed at solidifying AAUW’s position as a global leader on equity.

Prior to coming to AAUW, Kim Churches was the Managing Director at Brookings Institution, where she provided strategic guidance, vision, problem-solving skills, expansive partnerships and fundraising.

We are delighted that Kim Churches will be speaking to us at the NYS Convention about her vision for AAUW, the strategic plan, and how we can sharpen our focus and impact. Don’t miss this opportunity!

## 19th Annual Get In The Game Volunteers Needed

By Rae Lynn D'Angelo

### Attention all AAUW members!! WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need members to volunteer for our 19th Annual Get in the Game event that will be held at the JCC Physical Education Complex (Curtis Avenue), Saturday, **March 24, 2018 from 8 AM to 4 PM.**

What is Get in the Game? It is our local celebration of National Girls and Women in Sports Day and has been a huge success for the past 17 years. Girls in grades 4-7 spend the day at JCC rotating through several different sports sessions, trying them out and learning new skills. They also create new friendships and develop self-confidence. This is the second biggest event put on by our AAUW Branch, so we need all hands on deck. You do not have to be physically fit to volunteer! Please consider donating some of your time to encourage our area's young girls to participate in sports. This year we are working on including GITG favorites like kayaking, basketball, rugby, track, gymnastics, self-defense, and others.

Here is a description of the various "jobs" that we need our members help with. We are asking for volunteers to assist us with the following duties:

**1. Registration:** Registering/checking-in participants and handing out T-shirts to each registered girl (from 8 - 9:15 AM) . (Most girls are pre-registered.)---- 6 volunteers needed

**2. Lunch:** Helping to serve the delivered pizza etc. (from 11:45 AM - 12:45 ) -- 4 or 5 volunteers needed

**3. Dismissal:** Recording each child's pick up by authorized person (from 3 4 PM.) -- 6 volunteers needed

**4. Group Leader:** Taking your group of girls to their designated scheduled event and making sure your group stays together completing all rotations. The Group Leader can be full day 8am-4pm) or 1/2 day morning (8-12pm) or afternoon, (12-4pm) but we need 2 adults Group Leaders per group for both morning and afternoon shifts. -- 14 volunteers needed.

If you have never participated in Get in the Game, you will NOT be disappointed! You will get so much joy out of introducing these girls to sports they can participate in.

Please email Rae Lynn D'Angelo, [rreimondo@stny.rr.com](mailto:rreimondo@stny.rr.com) or call 499-2548 to volunteer or to obtain further information.

### Who Can Join AAUW?

A graduate holding an associate or equivalent, baccalaureate or higher degree from a nationally accredited educational institution is eligible for membership.

#### Contact:

Linda Fellows, 716-665-6863  
or Mary Keeney, 716-664-4758

Our 170,000 members and supporters span local and virtual communities, cities and college campuses, all over the world. On campuses, we foster the next generation of women in leadership and in the workplace.



After graduation, we mentor, fund, and support educational and professional development. From college through career and beyond, we're working to change the future.



The Elizabeth Warner Marvin Community House  
is pleased to host the

62ND ANNUAL

*Woman of the Year*  
BANQUET

Dinner Menu:

Shrimp cocktail or Fresh Fruit Cup

Marvin House Salad

Mrs. Marvin's Swiss Chicken

Buttered Red Skin Potatoes & Nantucket Vegetables

Brownie Cherry Jubilee Sundae or Homemade Lemon Meringue Pie

Included in dinner:

Fresh Baked Rolls, Mrs. Marvin's Homemade Pickles

Fresh Ground Coffee By Stedman Corners (Regular and Decaf)

Tea (Regular and Decaf)

Monday, March 26, 2018 - 5:30 PM  
The Marvin Community House  
COST IS \$28.00 • RESERVATIONS NECESSARY

Make checks payable to  
Jamestown Interclub Council

Call The Marvin House  
(716) 488-6206 by March 21, 2018



## Education Opportunity Fund and The Legal Advocacy Fund

By Emily McVay

What comes to mind when we think of the acronyms EOF and LAF? Equal opportunities? Laughter and joking, perhaps? There is an acronym for everything these days and it's important to understand the meaning behind them. I've taken the following paragraph directly from the AAUW National Website.

**“The Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) works to challenge sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace. Our resources range from community outreach programs to backing of major cases.**

Sex discrimination today takes a variety of forms: unfair pay, pregnancy discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, and violations of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 can affect both women and men. LAF addresses these barriers by informing people of their rights and using the legal system to seek justice and change.”

The work the LAF is doing for women is breathtaking. Please take the time to go to the following website and read more about the cases they are currently involved in. The list is long but the stories will grip you.

<https://www.aauw.org/resources/by-type/laf-cases/>

**The Education Opportunity Fund** is a scholarship given to a woman seeking a higher level of education such as a Masters or PhD.

As you can see, the Education Opportunity Fund and the Legal Advocacy Fund are no laughing matter. The money raised for these funds are crucial and could mean the difference for a woman taking the next step towards higher education or allowing a woman to fight back versus a discriminative employer.

Spring is in the air and as such ideas of fundraisers are coming to mind. Christina Marsh and our new EOF/LAF Co-Chair Emily McVay are hard at work brainstorming ideas. It is crucial that we meet our fundraising goals and personally we would like to exceed them. A little goes a long way to women searching for that next level of education or seeking guidance to rid themselves of abusive practices in their work place.

Let us take pride and being able to continue to fund EOF and LAF. Stay tuned for how you can help support these wonderful funds!

### Divas Dine at FORTE Restaurant



Bring a friend and join us for a FINE dining experience full of fun.

Non Members are welcome.

Where:  
114 East 3rd Street, Jamestown, NY

When:  
6:30 pm, Wednesday, March 21, 2018

RSVP: Kathy Colby  
[kjcolby@hotmail.com](mailto:kjcolby@hotmail.com)

About the AAUW

**AAUW Mission**

The American Association of University Women advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

**AAUW Diversity**

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

**AAUW Vision**

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

**AAUW Value Promise**

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women have a fair chance.

**National Website:**

[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)

**State Website:**

[www.aauw-nys.org](http://www.aauw-nys.org)

**Jamestown Website:**

<http://jamestown-ny.aauw.net>

Branch Leadership 2017-2018

**Executive Board--(Elected Officers)**

President .....	Christina Marsh
Program VP .....	Janet Forbes
Membership Joint VPs .....	Linda Fellows
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EOF VPs.....	Emily McVey
	Christina Marsh
LAF VPs .....	Emily McVey
	Christina Marsh
Public Policy .....	B. Dolores Thompson
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Recording Secretary .....	Ruth Wahl

Directory .....	Debra Eck
Social Media .....	Kathy Colby
Member Communications...	Maggie Irwin
STEM .....	Janet Forbes
Nominating Committee .....	Linda Fellows
Hospitality .....	Dixie Segal
Scholarship .....	Wendy Present
	Rebecca Nystrom
	Yvonne Makl
Dining Divas .....	Kathy Colby
Historian.....	Elaine Rissel
Interclub Council .....	B. Dolores Thompson
Circle of Distinction .....	B. Dolores Thompson
Education Partners .....	Valerie Champlin
	Yvonne Makl
Get In the Game .....	Wendy Present
	RaeLynn DeAngelo
What's New Fair: .....	Kathy Stanton
	Mary Lee Talbot
	Emily McVey
International Issues	Open Position

**Committee Chairs**

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NYS Membership VP .....	Barbara Sarver
NYS Member/Finance Liaison	Pheobe Forbes

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